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TOPIC Polish Motorized Artillery Unit in Bielsko Biala
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Artillery Barracks.

1. The barracks installation east of ul. 3 Maja in the southern sector of Bielsko-Biala (Q 50/X 88) included four large barracks buildings and two or three smaller structures visible from ul. 3 Maja. it was occupied by a Polish motorized artillery unit up to 1 November 1950. Soldiers of the unit were frequently observed on ul. 3 Maja either walking alone or riding in motor vehicles. Elements of the unit were observed returning from maneuvers in the first half of October 1950. They approached on ul. 3 Maja from the direction of the railroad station and were welcomed by the residents with flowers. The first column consisted of open trucks, 10 or 12 of which towed small guns. the column was an AT unit. It was followed somewhat later by another column not as closely observed, so that no details were identified. Judging by the size of the barracks installation, the unit was not larger than a battalion. *

Infantry Barracks.

2. an old Polish Infantry Barracks, not reoccupied by any troops up to late October 1950, was in Bielsko Biala. Its location was not specified. who had worked at this installation in 1950, it was being converted into a school. Reconstruction was not yet completed by October 1950. **

Miscellaneous.

3. No Soviet units were ever observed in and around the city.
- * Comment. The unit observed is believed to be the 23d Arty Regt of the 6th Inf Div.
- ** Comment. a women's labor service unit was located in the old Polish barracks installation in the western sector of the city and a labor training unit in a barracks installation east of the Artillery Barracks in November 1950.

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